

**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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MEDICAL SURFACES

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Dear Sir:

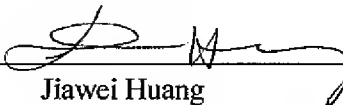
Enclosed are an International Preliminary Report on Patentability with a Form 1449 listing ( 5 ) references that are also attached. Applicants submit the reference(s) in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make the citation(s) of official record.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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